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The City of Albany, in Common Council convened, does hereby ordain and enact:

Section 1. It is hereby ordered and directed that all the right, title and interest of the City of Albany in and to a 24' wide portion of the west side of Onderdonk avenue, as specified in the attached legal description (in front of 563 New Scotland Avenue, Tax Map # 64.81-1- 56) be sold at private sale pursuant to the provisions of Local Law No. 4 of 1984 to FM Promontory Capital LLC.

SUBJECT to all easements, restrictions and rights-of-way of record.

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the aforesaid property has been abandoned for municipal or public purposes.

Section 3. The form, content, terms and conditions of such conveyance shall be approved by the Corporation Counsel and shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, and if approved by said Board, the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute a proper deed of conveyance for a valuable consideration.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Approved as to form this 23 rd day of February, 2017.	
_	Corporation Counsel

From: Adriana Le Blan, Assistant Corporation Counsel Request for Common Council Legislation Supporting Memorandum Re: Date: **February 23, 2017 ORDINANCE NUMBER 25.22.17 TITLE** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CONVEYANCE OF ALL THE RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST OF THE CITY OF ALBANY IN AND TO A 24' WIDE PORTION OF THE WEST SIDE OF ONDERDONK AVENUE, AS SPECIFIED IN THE ATTACHED LEGAL DESCRIPTION (IN FRONT OF 563 NEW SCOTLAND AVENUE, TAX MAP # 64.81-1-56) IN THE CITY OF ALBANY, NEW YORK AT PRIVATE SALE TO FM PROMONTORY CAPITAL LLC. GENERAL PURPOSE OF LEGISLATION To authorize the sale of City property known as a 24' wide portion of the west side of Onderdonk Avenue, as specified in the attached legal description, (in front of 563 New Scotland Avenue, Tax Map # 64.81-1-56) to FM Promontory Capital LLC. NECESSITY FOR LEGISLATION AND ANY CHANGE TO EXISTING LAW Conveyance of municipal property requires Legislative authorization EXPLANATION OF DEADLINE OR REQUESTED TIME FRAME FOR PASSAGE N/A _____ SPECIFICS OF BIDDING OR OTHER PROCUREMENT PROCESS (if applicable) SPECIFICS OF REAL PROPERTY SALE OR ACQUISITION (if applicable) Prospective purchaser seeks to make it look more attractive (Parking and sidewalk) to attract commercial clients on adjacent private property. No structures are proposed to be built on that area FISCAL IMPACT(S) None known.

To:

Gerald Campbell, City Clerk

Council Members Bailey, Applyrs, Commisso, Conti, Doesschate, Fahey, Flynn, Golby, Herring, Igoe, Kimbrough, Krasher, Kornegay, O'Brien and Robinson offered the following at the request of Common Council President McLaughlin:

Resolution Number 13.22.17R

RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2017 AND HONORING THE EXTRAORDINARY CONTRIBUTIONS OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS TO THE NATION AND THE CITY OF ALBANY

WHEREAS, over the past century, African American life, history, and culture have become major forces in the United States and the world. In 1915, few could have imagined that African Americans in the music, art, and literature would become appreciated by the global community. Fewer still could have predicted the prominence achieved by African Americans, as well as people of African descent, in shaping world politics, war, and diplomacy. Indeed, it was nearly universally believed that Africans and people of African decent had played no role in the unfolding of history and were a threat to American civilization itself. A century later, few can centrality of African Americans in the making of American history. African-Americans have provided much labor, intellect, creativity, strength and leadership that has made the United States of America a great place to live and a leader in the attainment of freedom and justice in the modern world; and

WHEREAS, African-Americans have also supplied much of the labor, intellect, creativity, strength and leadership that built the City of Albany and its many neighborhoods and communities since colonial times and played a major role in the justice and freedom seeking activities of the Underground Railroad. While the spot light often shines on individuals, this movement is the product of organization, of institutions, and institution-builders who gave direction to effort. The national Urban League promoted the Harlem Renaissance. The Preservation of the black past became the mission of Arturo Schomburg and Jesse and Mooreland, leading to the rise of the Schomoburg Research Center in Black Culture and Howard University's Moorland-Spingarn Research center. The vision of Margaret Burroughs and others led to the African American museum movement, leading to the creation of black museums throughout the nation, culminating with the Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture. Student activism of the 1960s resulted in the Black Studies Movement and creation of black professional associations, including the National Council of Black Studies, and a host of doctoral programs at major American universities; and

WHEREAS, the extraordinary role of African-Americans in the nation as a whole and Albany in particular has too often been overlooked by both well-meaning individuals and those blinded by the legacy of racism left in the wake of our nation's history of slavery and bondage. This transformation is the result of effort, not chance. Confident that their struggles mattered in human history, black scholars, artists, athletes, and leaders self-consciously used their talents to change how the world viewed African Americans. The New Negro of the post-World War I era made modernity their own and gave the world a cornucopia of culture gifts, including jazz, poetry based on the black vernacular, and an appreciation of African art. African American athletes dominated individual and team sports transforming baseball, track-and-field, football,

boxing, and basketball. In a wave of social movements African American activism transformed race relations, challenged American foreign policy, and became the American conscience on human rights; and

WHEREAS, despite the many obstacles placed in the way of generations of African-Americans, they have proven their ability to keep the dream of freedom and racial justice alive by constantly striving to overcome those who would limit their educational and economic opportunities by restricting their choices and limiting their options through the use of Jim Crow laws, poll taxes and other restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the sacrifices and successes of those many generations of African-Americans led to the establishment of churches known for their religious leadership, the founding of historically black colleges and universities responsible for educating millions throughout the nation, entrepreneurs who have created thousands of jobs, and the flourishing of a rich cultural and artistic heritage that has contributed greatly to our nation and beyond; and

WHEREAS, efforts to restrict the rights of African-Americans have continued to this day and the struggle against racism remains a crucial battle throughout our nation generally and the City of Albany specifically that is directly relevant to our communities; and

WHEREAS, Black History Month celebrations raise awareness and have proven to be valuable tools in drawing attention to contributions made by African-Americans to the United States; and

WHEREAS, it is important for the Common Council, as the legislative body that represents all residents of the City of Albany to commemorate the valuable contributions of African-Americans to the city and the nation; and

[Nominees and bios to be added.]

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Albany Common Council, acting on behalf of all the people of the City of Albany, hereby commemorates February 2017 as Black History Month, and pauses in its deliberation to honor the sacrifices and contributions made by African-Americans.

BE, IT FURTHER, RESOLVED, that the Common Council honors all of the nominees in recognition of their leadership, service, and contributions to civic life throughout the City of Albany.

To: Gerald Campbell, City Clerk From: Ron Bailey, Council Member Request for Common Council Legislation Supporting Memorandum Re: Date: **February 6, 2017 RESOLUTION TITLE** RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2017 AND HONORING THE EXTRAORDINARY CONTRIBUTIONS OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS TO THE NATION AND THE CITY OF ALBANY GENERAL PURPOSE OF LEGISLATION To honor the contributions of Albany's African-American citizens during Black History Month and for the Council to express its support for the recognized individuals' efforts NECESSITY FOR LEGISLATION AND ANY CHANGE TO EXISTING LAW To acknowledge the contributions and accomplishments of Albany's African-American community. EXPLANATION OF DEADLINE OR REQUESTED TIME FRAME FOR PASSAGE Passage is requested at the February 23th Council meeting in conjunction with the Council's Black History Month program. FISCAL IMPACT(S) None.